



SOUTH BOROUGH PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Celebrating our amazing school!



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Friday 12th November 2021

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been an absolute pleasure to welcome children back to school following what we hope has been a fun filled half term break. Children have already been busy in so many areas of their learning. To find out more about what your children are learning this term, please do refer to the newsletters on the [Year Group pages](#) of the school website.

On Wednesday of this week, I was proud to welcome parents to the school for children who may be starting with us in September. Our newly appointed Year 6 ambassadors did a fantastic job of touring parents and spoke with confidence. Huge congratulations to them!

Last week, Miss Ballard and Ms Parkhouse (our new FLO) held their first meeting with our newly formed Parent Forum. What a productive meeting this was! There were some excellent suggestions put forward about how we can communicate with parents in a better way. Watch this space for some development in this area. A huge thank you to those who gave up their time to attend the meeting.

Before the half term break, I had a great meeting with the Friends of South Borough committee, who are extremely keen to relaunch and plan exciting fundraising events for the year ahead. Funds that are raised by the FoSB are used to fund resources that will further support your child's learning. The AGM is scheduled for 29th November @ 1:30pm. I would urge everyone to come along. In order to make FoSB a roaring success, we need as many parents as possible to put their names forward and volunteer. This is a perfect time to do this.

Thank you as always for your fantastic support. Wishing you all a pleasant weekend.

Mr M Currie
Head of School

COVID 19 restrictions

In line with national trends, South Borough has seen an increase in the number of positive cases of COVID since the beginning of term. Staff and children have returned positive tests, which has served as a stark reminder that the virus is still there.

With this in mind, I would like to remind everybody of the measures we have in place.

- 1) Children wash their hands- before school, after break, before and after eating, after outdoor activities.
- 2) Children regularly sanitise your hands and ensure children also do this.
- 3) High touch areas will continue to be cleaned around the school throughout the day.
- 4) Windows and doors will be opened when possible to maintain ventilation.

Wearing face coverings remains a personal choice for parents and staff.

REMINDERS:

16th November 10AM
New Year R Sept 22
Parent Tour

17th November
Photo Re-takes for
siblings

19th November
Dress Up for
Pudsey Day (£1)

22nd November
Anti Bullying Week

Learning Ladder for Life



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STAFFING NEWS

We are very proud of our amazing staff team here at South Borough. This term we welcome three new members of staff.

Ms Parkhouse - Family Liaison Officer (FLO)

Hello, my name is Nicola Parkhouse and I am the new Family Liaison Officer here at South Borough Primary School. I have two grown up sons who still live with me, my partner and our very old dog.



I am also the author of six rhyming picture books, so I may have crossed paths with some of you before. I love writing stories and I like to paint and draw. My latest book titled 'Trouble in the Alphabet', I illustrated myself, which is something that I am very proud of. I learnt whilst doing this that I do need to work on my computer skills! I also like gardening and listening to music. I think I can sing but sadly I'm told that I can't!

I am really looking forward to getting to know all of the children and their families here at South Borough. So if you see me out in the playground in the morning when you are dropping your children off or at collection time, please come and say hi. It is good to talk and I really do love to chat!

Mrs Webber - Reception Teaching Assistant

Hello my name is Jenny Webber and I am a teaching assistant here at South Borough Primary school. I have worked as a teaching assistant for 11 years, since my children, now aged 21, 18 and 8, first began school. I love working with children and aspire to one day become a teacher.

Outside of school I enjoy spending time with family and friends, having meals out, family days out and going to the cinema, I'm always sure to watch the latest Marvel film!

I am enjoying getting to know the Reception children and looking forward to getting to know their families and the families and children of the wider South Borough community.



Mrs Hodges - Y6 Teacher (Fridays)

Hello, my name is Sharon Hodges and I am a class teacher who will be supporting the Year 6 at South Borough Primary School on Fridays. I have been teaching for 10 years and have worked across Key Stage 1 and 2 around Kent.

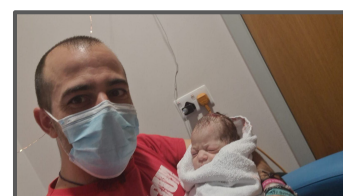
Outside of school I keep myself busy by chasing my 3 year old twin boys around. When I'm not at a play park or soft play, I like to keep myself active by playing hockey for a local team and running 5k and 10k with my friends. I'm a bit of a history nerd and like to read about past events and visit historical places, especially if they are in a hot country!

Over the last term I have been enjoying getting to know the Year 6s and meeting the other year groups. I am very much looking forward to getting to know everyone at South Borough Primary School.



Mr Blanco is a daddy!

This week, we are delighted to share with you all that Mr Blanco became a proud father to a baby girl. Luna was born on Monday and is very happy and healthy. Mr Blanco tells us that she is amazing! Congratulations to Mr Blanco and his family on their new arrival. We cannot wait to meet her.





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Congratulations to all of our winners!

Week Ending 5/11/2021

Nursery

Artur S & Kacper O

Reception Green

Hayden B & Evie M

Reception Red

Lexi B & Elise T

Year 1B

Lexi L & Ioan D

Year 1H

Zaid A & Lucia T-C

Year 2Wa

Thunkevi S & David C

Year 2Wr

Violet F & Edward B

Year 3F

Jack C & Antonia P

Year 3S

Owen P & Elizabeth I

Year 4B

Safal T & Lilly D

Year 4C

Henry M & Emmy D

Year 4N

Kaycee P & Majus M

Year 5A

Jermal D & Charles V

Year 5C

Finley C & Kayla G

Year 5P

Abby Cade & Bentley Cooke

Year 6S

Jakub N & Faizan N

Year 6W

Olivia N & Emmett R

Week Ending 12/11/2021

Nursery

NA

Reception Green

Gracie W & Ratmir S

Reception Red

Ronan H & Kathleen P

Year 1B

Erin A & Jasmine B

Year 1H

Alexandru M & Bethany K

Year 2Wa

Monica L & Ben L

Year 2Wr

Cassie B & Muireann M

Year 3F

Jayson B & Bella A

Year 3S

Ammer H & Mimi C

Year 4B

Max T & Honey V

Year 4C

Jessica B & Oscar K-H

Year 4N

Bethan D & Chelsea S

Year 5A

Safir P & Tilly Louise B

Year 5C

Rosalia T-C & Mia H

Year 5P

Yvie C and Bailey A

Year 6S

Yagmur C & Noah D

Year 6W

Kaylee-May M & Junior S